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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in response to the Office Action mailed May 30, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are submitted for your consideration. A Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time has been filed concurrently with this response, extending the time to respond to October 30, 2002. Further, a **Version With Markings To Show Changes Made** is attached hereto.

In the Specification

On page 16 of the Specification, please replace the first paragraph beginning with the phrase "Turning now to Figure 3," with the following rewritten paragraph.

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--Turning now to Figure 3, one sees a conventional nonwoven production line (1) including two banks of spunbond or meltblown fiber dies (2, 3) allowing fibers to fall onto the forming wire (4). This is an example of one method of making the novel material of this invention. The formed nonwoven (5) is conveyed by the rollers (6, 7) to the chill roll (8) where it is united with the composite (29). The composite (29) is made by extruding a film polymer (36) and an elastic foam having superabsorbent (34) in a multi-manifold die extruder (38). The composite (29) is extruded onto the chill roll (8) where it is cooled. As the composite (29) travels around the chill roll (8), the nonwoven, (5) which will serve as the liner in the finished personal care product is joined with it. Another nonwoven layer (32) which may serve as the optional backsheet cover may be unrolled